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POSITION OF A TAPE MEDIUM DISPOSED IN A TAPE DRIVE**

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is attached hereto.

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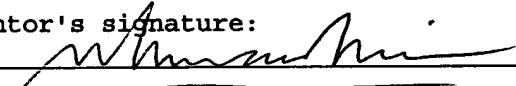
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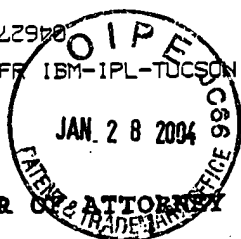
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